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SUBJECT: NAJIBULLAH REPORTEDLY STEPS BACK FROM PDPA
RESERVATION OF PRESIDENCY

1. (U) TASS HAS REPORTED NOVEMBER 6 MOSCOW PRESS
CONFERENCE OF PDPA GENERAL SECRETARY NAJIBULLAH.
THE PDPA LEADER IS QUOTED AS SAYING, "...I INVITE
REPRESENTATIVES OF THE OPPOSITION IN AFGHANISTAN, IF
THEY WANT TO, TO NOMINATE THEIR CANDIDATES TO THE POST
OF THE COUNTRY'S PRESIDENT."

2. (C) COMMENT: THIS APPEARS TO BE A SHIFT FROM
NAJIBULLAH'S POSITION AT THE OCTOBER 19-21 PDPA
CONFERENCE. THERE HE RESERVED THE VERY POWERFUL
PRESIDENCY FOR THE PDPA -- A MOVE THAT THE SOVIETS
RECENTLY DID NOT FAVOR BECAUSE IT FURTHER CLOSED OFF
POSSIBILITIES FOR POLITICAL COMPROMISE.

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